





## Ao Phang-Nga National Park

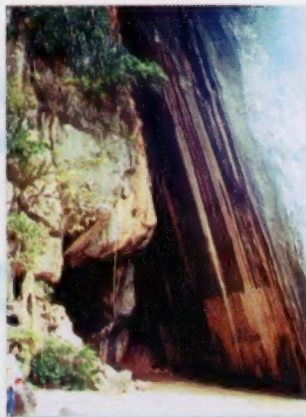
was declared a national park on April 29, 1981. It lies in The Muang Phang-Nga District, Takua Thung and Koh Yao District. The park created covers an area of 400 km<sup>2</sup> or roughly 250,000 rai and protects the largest area of original primary mangrove forest remaining in Thailand. The park stretches from Muang Phang-Nga District to coast at Takua Thung District. Over 80% of the park is covered by the Andaman sea, with over 42 large and small islands Ao Phang-Nga is national park 25<sup>th</sup> in Thailand



## TOURIST PLACE

### Khao Ta Poo : (JAMES BOND ISLAND)

was originally, a part of island but it had been scoured out by the tide and then it was off from the main land. The remaining is stack. The base was drawn in and the upper is a huge rock.



### Khao Phing-Kan :

was occurred from the crack and slide of rock due to gravity fault. As the base of rock was scoured out by the torrent making the upper rock in which the weight was huge sliding down in the of form leaning on.



### Koh Talu :

Koh Talu is a limestone mountain, it is a looks like Tham Lod. Koh Talu is between Khao Ping-Kan and Koh Panyee. There is a once famous site in Ao Phang-Nga National Park for sea canoe.

### Khao Khien :

Lies on the way to Koh Panyee. Khao Khien have a



cave painting of there pre-historic people about 3,000 years. There are ancient depiction of animals and boats.





### Koh Panyee :

A small island with a Muslim Village extending on stilts out over the water. The inhabitants are chiefly fishermen. At here have the souvenir shops and the seafood restaurants, catering to visitors.

### Tham Lod :

Tham Lod is a big cave and length about 50 metres, lies in Takua Thung District. There are beautiful



stalactites and stalagmites inside the grotto. During way, you can see a perfect mangrove forest in Thailand.

### Khao Mah Ju :



Lies on the way to Koh Panyee. Khao Mah Ju is a small limestone island. The rock face looks remarkably like a poodle dog.



### Koh Hong :

A big island and this "Hong" or "room" are collapsed cave system open to sky, filled with jungle of flora and fauna, by the fact, Koh Hong is the favourite place to canoeing

### Koh Panak :

A beautiful island, but bigger than Koh Hong. There are many caves inside, such as.



### Tham Kong-Kang : (mangrove cave)



You must entrance by canoe only or walking when low tide. The end of cave have a big cavity open to the sky and mangrove forest growing in there.

### Tham Kang-Kao : (Bat Cave)

This cave will be under water while water gets highest.





## Tham Peen :

The caves deep 30-40 meters. The end of cave have a big lagoon and the favourite place to canoeing

## Koh Lawa Yai :

In two hours you will reach this very small island with a white sandy beach where you can relax to your



picnic lunch after some sun and fun, Also remember to bring your own mask and snorkel if you plan to look at coral.



## Activity

Ao Phang-Nga National Park have bungalows for service the tourist, and a lot of activities, such as, snorkelling at Koh Lawa Yai. Canoeing at Koh Talu, Koh Hong, Koh Panak, catering to visitors.



## How to get there

Once in Phang-Nga town, go past on highway 4 heading to Takua Thung District, pass the Provincial Hall, after about 8 kms, you will come to an intersection proceed to the left on highway 4144.

This will take you to Ao Phang-Nga National Park. About 2.5 kms to the National Park Headquarters go past it another 500 meters to the visitors center.